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SUBJECT: FIRST CONGRESS OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH

SUMMARY: A SOMOZA SPONSORED ANTI-COMMUNIST CONGRESS OF CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES, FEATURING SPEAKERS FROM THE GON AS WELL AS REPRESENTATIVES FROM NATIONALIST CHINA, KOREA AND THE CUBAN EXILES, IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE JANUARY 15-20 IN MANAGUA. THE SECOND SUCH EVENT TO OCCUR IN FOUR MONTHS, IT IS A REFLECTION OF SOMOZA'S CONCERN OVER DETENTE AND RAPPROCHEMENT WITH CUBA. END SUMMARY

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1. THE FIRST CONGRESS OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH IS SCHEDULED

TO BE HELD IN MANAGUA JANUARY 15-20 WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM MEXICO, GUATEMALA, EL SALVADOR, HONDURAS, COSTA RICA, PANAMA, PARAGUAY, CHILE, SPAIN, NATIONALIST CHINA AND THE CUBAN EXILE COMMUNITY IN ATTENDANCE, AS WELL AS OBSERVERS FROM PARAGUAY, CHILE, CHINA AND SPAIN. THE THEME OF THE CONGRESS IS AN EXAMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF COMMUNIST SUBVERSION AND THE METHODS OF COMBATTING IT.

- 2. THE CONGRESS IS SPONSORED BY THE SOMOZA LIBERAL YOUTH (JLS), AN ORGANIZATION OF THE RULING LIBERAL PARTY HEADED BY PRESIDENT SOMOZA, WHO IS SCHEDULED TO MAKE BOTH THE OPENING AND CLOSING SPEECHES. ALSO SCHEDULED TO SPEAK ARE RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ OF MEXICO, COLONEL DO DONG-KONG OF KOREA, LABMIN JULIO CARDOZE, VICE MINISTER FOR URBAN PLANNING IVAN OSORIO AND OTHER HIGH RANKING GON OFFICIALS. ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MINORITY CONSERVATIVE PARTY HAS ALSO BEEN INVITED TO SPEAK.
- 3. ALTHOUGH RADIO PLUGS FOR THE MEETING REPORT THAT A US SENATOR IS TO ATTEND, THE CONFERENCE SPONSORS ARE FUZZY ABOUT US CONGRESSIONAL INVITEES. AFTER SOME PRODDING FROM EMBOFF THEY RECALLED THAT REP. LARRY MCDONALD (DEM-GA.) HAD BEEN INVITED, BUT COULD NOT ATTEND. THEY UNDERSTOOD THAT THEIR CONTACT IN THE US, THE COUNCIL OF AMERICAN AFFAIRS, WAS TRYING TO SUBSTITUTE MCDONALD WITH REP. HANSEN, WHOM THEY WERE OTHERWISE UNABLE TO IDENTIFY. JLS SEC. GEN. CHESTER ESCOBAR EXPRESSED TO POLOFF HIS DISMAY AT NOT HAVING ANY PROMINENT AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES. HE ALSO SAID THAT THE FOUR CUBAN EXILE REPRESENTATIVES ARE ALL FROM MIAMI AND ARE MEMBERS OF THE EXILE ORGANIZATION ALPHA 66.
- 4. ESCOBAR ASSURED POLOFF THAT NO ANTI-AMERICAN RESOLUTIONS WOULD EMERGE FROM THE CONGRESS, AND THAT DISCUSSION WOULD BE ORGANIZED AROUND THE FOLLOWING THEMES: A) DEMOCRACY AND SOVEREIGNTY OF THE STATE, B) THE PRINCIPLE OF NO INTERVENTION AND COMMUNIST AGRESSION, C) THE PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DETERMINATION AS A FORMULA FOR PRESERVATION OF LIBERTY AND DEMOCRACY, D) STRATEGY OF CENTRAL AMERICAN YOUTH AGAINST COMMUNIST IDEOLOGICAL, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INLIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TERVENTION, E) PERSPECTIVES OF CENTRAL AMERICAN INTEGRATION, F) CREATION OF A CENTRAL AMERICAN ANTI-COMMUNIST YOUTH ORGANIZATION, G) HISTORICAL COMMITMENT OF CENTRAL AMERICAN DEMOCRATIC YOUTH, AND H) DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES OF DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL AMERICAN YOUTH.

5. COMMENT: THIS IS THE SECOND ANTI-COMMUNIST INTER-NATIONAL MEETING ORGANIZED BY THE LIBERAL PARTY IN FOUR MONTHS, REFLECTING SOMOZA'S WELL KNOWN CONCERN ABOUT DETENTE IN GENERAL AND RAPPROCHEMENT WITH CUBA IN PARTICULAR. SOMOZA MAY HOPE TO SENSITIZE NICARAGUANS TO THE DANGERS OF ACCENTING COMMUNISM AS JUST ANOTHER POLITICAL MOVEMENT AS WELL AS TO MAINTAIN THE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-COMMUNIST FLAG ALOFT THROUGH THESE MEETINGS. THEBERGE

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